(b) Final maturity. Series EE savings bonds have an extended maturity period of 13 years, and reach final maturity at 30 years after the issue date. Bonds cease to earn interest at final maturity.

§ 351.25 What were the interest rates and redemption values for bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1995, through April 1, 1997, during semiannual rate periods in the first 5 years after issue date?

- (a) Interest rates. The interest rate for a Series EE bond bearing an issue date of May 1, 1995, through April 1, 1997, for semiannual earning periods during the first 5 years from issue date, was the short-term savings bond rate (see §351.11 for a description of the short-term savings bond rate.)
- (b) Redemption values. Redemption values for semiannual accrual dates occurring on or before 5 years from issue date are calculated in accordance with § 351.28.

§ 351.26 What are the interest rates and redemption values for bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1995 through April 1, 1997, during semi-annual rate periods that begin 5 years or more after issue date?

- (a) *Interest rates.* The interest rate for a Series EE bond bearing an issue date of May 1, 1995, through April 1, 1997, for semiannual earning periods beginning 5 years from issue date through original maturity, is the long-term savings bond rate as defined in §351.12.
- (b) Redemption values. We calculate redemption values for semiannual accrual dates occurring after 5 years from issue date, through original maturity, in accordance with §351.28, except that the redemption value at the date of original maturity shall not be less than the denomination (face amount or face value).

§ 351.27 What are the interest rates and redemption values for bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1995, through April 1, 1997, during an extended maturity period?

During an extended maturity period the bond will be subject to the terms and conditions in effect when it is issued, and will continue to earn interest as described in paragraph §351.26, unless the terms and conditions applicable to an extended maturity period are expressly amended prior to the beginning of such period.

§ 351.28 How are redemption values calculated for bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1995, through April 1, 1997?

We determine the redemption value of a bond on the accrual date immediately following each semiannual earning period as follows:

- (a) We convert the applicable long-term or short-term savings bond rate for the semiannual earning period to decimal form by dividing by 100, and adjust it to a semiannual rate by dividing by 2.
- (b) Using redemption values for the base denomination, as defined in §351.16, we then multiply this rate by the redemption value of the bond at the beginning of the semiannual earning period.
- (c) We add the resulting interest amount, rounded to the nearest cent, to the redemption value of the bond at the beginning of the earning period to produce the redemption value at the next semiannual accrual date. The redemption value of a bond remains constant between accrual dates.

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§ 351.29 What are the maturity periods of bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1997, and thereafter?

- (a) Original maturity. (1) Bonds with issue dates from May 1, 1997, to May 1, 2003. Bonds reach original maturity at 17 years after issue date.
- (2) Bonds with issue dates from June 1, 2003, and thereafter. Bonds reach original maturity at 20 years after issue date.
- (b) *Final maturity*. Bonds reach final maturity at 30 years after the issue date. Bonds cease to earn interest at final maturity.